

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 5, 10-13, 17-19, 21, 25-28, 32 and 34-43 are pending and allowed. By this Amendment, claims 17, 42 and 43 are amended simply to improve form. No new matter is added.

Specifically, in claim 17, the features after the first wherein clause are amended for better correspondence with at least allowed claim 1. It is noted that the amended features of claim 17 after the first wherein clause have parallels in step (b) of claim 1. Additionally, in claim 17, a feature is moved to be located just before the second wherein clause, again for correspondence with allowed claim 1.

Additionally, in claims 42 and 43, it is noted the amendments again are for better correspondence with at least allowed claim 1.

Since the amendment are made to improve form, it is respectfully submitted that the amendments should not require more than a nominal amount of consideration by the Examiner. The applicant respectfully request approval and entry of the amendments prior to issuance of the patent.

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If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

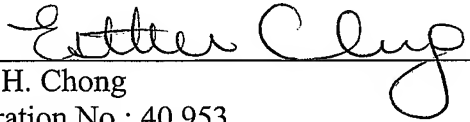
In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 referencing docket no. 0465-1030P.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Seth S. Kim, Reg. No. 54,577, at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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